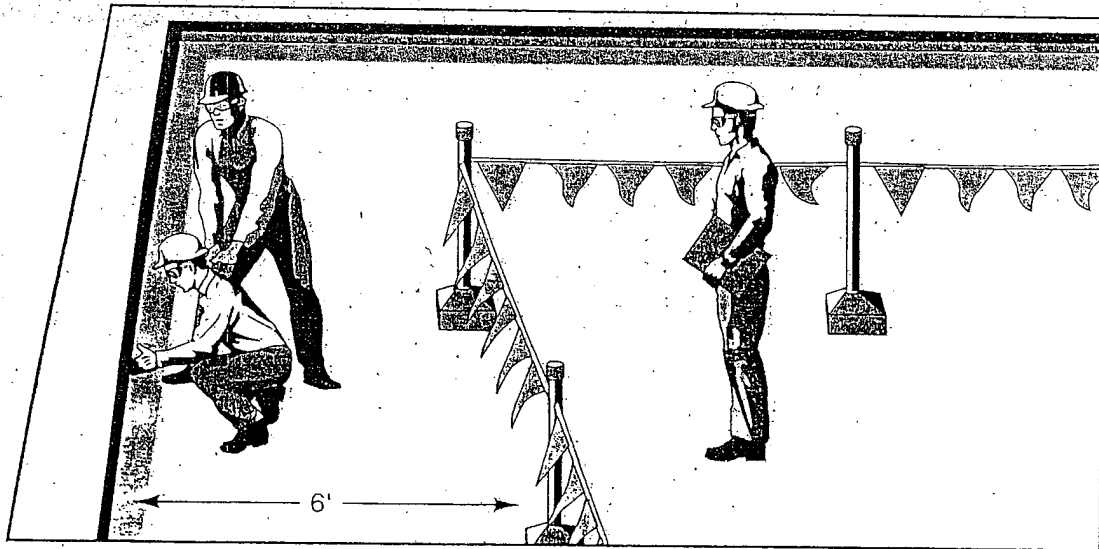




TOOLBOX TALKS

Safety Monitor System

- ☛ A Safety Monitor System can be used as the only means of fall protection on a low slope (4-in-12, or less) roof that is less than 50 feet across.
- ☛ Safety Monitoring Systems are also allowed on roofs that are wider than 50 feet, but must be used in conjunction with another fall protection system.
 - Warning lines are the simplest and most popular system.
 - Even with the warning lines, the Safety Monitoring System must be in use whenever employees are working outside the warning lines.
- ☛ The Safety Monitor must be a competent person.
 - A competent person is:
 - someone who has been trained to be able to recognize and anticipate hazards
 - and who is authorized to take immediate corrective action.
- ☛ The Safety Monitor must be on the same working level, be able to see the employees he or she is monitoring, and be able to communicate with them verbally.
- ☛ The Safety Monitor may not have other duties that could interfere with his or her ability to act as a monitor.
 - Some state plans, such as California's and Washington's, do not allow the Safety Monitor to have any other duties while acting in the monitoring capacity. In the majority of states, the safety monitor is permitted to perform other duties.



Safety Monitor System Training Tips

- Ask employees in what situations they think the Safety Monitor ought to warn employees.
- Describe the duties of a competent person as they apply to your company or your current project.
- Ask the following questions:
 - Where must the safety monitor be?
 - Can the safety monitor be performing any work other than acting as a safety monitor?